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Town Officers, 1899.

Moderator,
CHARLES S. WHIDDEN.

Town Clerk,
BLAKE H. RAND.

Selectmen,
HORACE SAWYER, ALBERT H. DRAKE,
JOHN S. MARDEN.

Treasurer,
FRED D. PARSONS.

Tax Collector,
WILLIAM C. WALKER.

Cemetery Trustees,
WILLIAM C. WALKER, DANIEL J. PARSONS,
CHARLES M. RAND.

School Board,
JOHN F. FRAZER, A. R. H. FOSS, JOHN O. DRAKE.

Janitor Town Hall,
EZRA H. WALKER.

Supervisors,
EDWARD S. SAWYER, EZRA H. WALKER,
WILLIAM C. WALKER.

Library Trustees,
JOSEPH W. BERRY, 2D, GILMAN WALKER,
CHARLES H. LEAR.

Board of Health,
DR. C. F. PATTERSON, DANIEL M. FOSS,
GILMAN P. GOSS.

Police,
C. O. PHILBRICK, JOHN H. JENNESS, T. H. PERKINS.

Auditors,
CHARLES W. SPEAR, IRVING W. GARLAND.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

For the Fiscal Year Ending February 15, 1900.

INVOICE.

Polls, 264,	$26,400 00	
Land and buildings,	564,841 00	
Horses, 374,	17,631 00	
Oxen, 14,	580 00	
Cows, 493,	11,812 00	
Neat stock, 75,	1,084 00	
Sheep, 16,	64 00	
Hogs, 3,	30 00	
Carriages, 78,	5,590 00	
Fowls, 927,	370 00	
Bank stock,	3,683 33	
Stock in trade,	2,126 00	
Money on deposit,	3,000 00	
Mills,	400 00	
		$637,611 33
Amount of taxes assessed for all purposes,		8,826 82

Tax rate, $1.40 on $100.
Tax rate on Gosport ward, .70 on $100.

EXPENDITURES.

State tax,	$1,559 75
County tax,	2,522 83

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Daniel M. Foss, 1898,	$11 00	
Dr. C. F. Patterson, 1899,	12 00	
Daniel M. Foss, 1899,	12 00	
Gilman P. Goss, 1899,	4 00	
		$39 00

STATE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Board of Benjamin G. Odiorne,	$25 50

SCHOOLS.

Town appropriation,	$1,850 00	
Literary fund,	79 80	
Dog tax,	95 40	
School house debt,	1,125 00	
Extension to South school house,	300 00	
		$3,450 20

TOWN POOR.

C. A. Goss, one cord wood for Mrs. J. Ira Brown,	$ 3 50
Uri H. Jenness, " " " "	3 00
Joseph W. Rand, " " " "	3 50
E. C. Jenness, groceries for Mrs. J. Ira Brown,	37 09
C. D. Garland, " " " "	31 31
O. S. Green, overseer of poor,	1 00
Rockingham County Farm, board of Frank O. Berry,	38 00
" " " board and clothing for Amos Jenness,	130 48
A. E. Drake & Son, groceries for Joseph S. Foss,	9 50
Dr. Warren Parsons, eight visits and medicine for Joseph S. Foss,	10 00
Samuel W. Jenness, one-half cord wood for Mrs. J. Ira Brown,	1 75
Thomas H. Perkins, taking Frank O. Berry to the county farm,	5 00
Dr. Patterson, visits and medicine Jas. F. Brown,	22 00

Dr. Patterson, visits and medicine Clara Brown,	4 50
" " " Jos. S. Foss,	20 25
Overseers of poor,	3 00
	$323 88

COUNTY POOR.

Thomas W. Rand, groceries for Frank O. Caswell,	$ 4 77
C. D. Garland, " " "	10 82
D. F. Borthwick, cloth " "	1 74
A. H. Drake, potatoes, salt pork and lard for Frank O. Caswell,	8 31
Wm. H. Fay, shoes for Frank O. Caswell,	7 25
A. E. Drake & Son, groceries for Frank O. Caswell,	7 72
Dr. C. F. Patterson, visits and medicine for Frank O. Caswell,	4 00
	$44 61

MISCELLANEOUS.

E.C.Eastman, order books and stationery,	$6 49
Times Pub. Co., printing town accounts,	37 00
John W.Kelley, services to Mar. 15, '99,	75 12
Laura F. Dibblee, grading new highway,	75 00
Portsmouth Savings Bank,interest on note,	20 00
A. C. Locke, labor on town hall, 1898,	1 00
E. B. Philbrick, making deed for gravel pit to Mrs. Dibblee,	50
Levi W. Marden, for gravel pit,	150 00
W. E. Paul, crockery,	6 00
Recording deed of gravel pit of L. W. Marden,	1 00
William C. Walker, discount on taxes,	387 42
Florence H. Marden, recording inventory,	4 00
Dennett & McCarthy, blankets for lockup,	4 25
A. P. Wendell, two heavy padlocks for lockup,	1 30
Portsmouth Savings Bank, interest on note,	5 00

Samuel B. Spear, painting guide boards,	5 00
W. O. Junkins, recording births and deaths,	1 50
W. E. Paul, stove pipe and two lamps,	4 51
Charles H. Rand, building wall and digging trench at Mrs. Albion Parsons',	42 00
A. H. Drake, to Concord to settle state tax,	5 00
" " bill file, postage and express,	2 00
" " cleaning out and building up Charles H. Lear's well,	6 00
Times Pub. Co., notices for road hearings,	2 25
Andrew G. Locke, iron work on town hall,	1 85
Charles M. Rand, labor on town hall and guide boards,	11 33
Dr. C. F. Patterson, recording births and deaths,	4 00
John H. Jenness, maintaining watering trough,	3 00
Ezra H. Walker, expense of town hall,	69 05
Daniel J. Parsons, hearse warden,	24 00
Emery C. Jenness, storing road machine,	4 00
C. O. Philbrick, collecting dog license,	2 00
Portsmouth Savings Bank, interest on note,	20 00
Blake H. Rand, interest on note,	16 00
Mrs. Mary Randall, interest on note,	16 00
Horace Sawyer, perambulating line between North Hampton and Rye,	2 00
Selectmen, attending hearing, and widening highway at Mrs. Martha S. Parson's,	3 00
Horace Sawyer, feeding and sheltering tramps,	1 00
Horace Sawyer, lumber for town hall,	1 60
Fred D. Parsons, stamps and stationery,	50
Mrs. Mary Randall, hens killed by dogs,	3 00
	$1,024 67

ENFORCING THE LIQUOR LAW.

John Pender, sheriff, service of injunction,	$11 81	
Lamont Hilton, assistant to C. O. Philbrick,	4 00	
Copy of deed of Ellen Quinn's property,	1 00	
Herbert J. Willard, trial justice on cases of John O. Berry, Menter Johnson, Atwood Gammon, Alice Morrissey and William Small,	30 00	
Herbert J. Willard, expense on same,	8 60	
Geo. L. Collis, assistant to C. O. Phllbrick,	17 50	
" " car fare and witness' fees in supreme court,	5 55	
C. H. Knight, clerk of court, fees and copy of injunction,	6 10	
John W. Kelley, making and serving notices, making and serving warrants and prosecuting the same before a justice court and before the supreme court, and obtaining injunctions against Wm. Quinn, Atwood Gammon and Alice Morrissey, and raiding and prosecuting liquor dealers in the town of Rye,	85 02	
Expense and execution of Ellen Quinn,	28 42	
Horace Sawyer, enforcing liquor law,	19 00	
C. O. Philbrick, " " "	42 03	
John H. Jenness, " " "	4 00	
Thomas H. Perkins, " " "	6 00	
		$269 03

ROAD WIDENING BETWEEN RYE CENTER AND NORTH HAMPTON LINE.

Langdon B. Parsons, land and wall damage,	$103 27
A.H. Hodgdon, land, wall and tree damage,	13 76
Emery C. Jenness, " " " "	55 99
Daniel J. Parsons, land damage,	6 60

Hollis N. Marden, land damage,	6	80
Edward E. Ramsdell, land and fence,	10	08
Wesley A. Rand, land and wall,	76	04
Samuel A. Marden, land and wall,	7	31
John O. Locke, land, wall and trees,	106	22
Jonathan Locke, land and wall,	15	87
Charles Adams, land and wall,	9	59
Heirs of Oliver L. Locke, land, wall and trees,	58	00
J. Curtis Philbrick, land, wall and trees,	72	20
Frank Brown, land and wall,	14	02
Henry Brown, land and wall,	76	66
Mrs. Gilbert Randall, land and fence,	12	66
Howard F. Rand, land and fence,	29	95
Amos P. Brown, land and wall,	44	20
Sarah H. Nichols, land and wall,	11	32
T. Ira Marden, land, wall and cemetery,	45	96
Mrs. N. G. Jenness, land and wall,	63	08
Mrs. Burke, land,	8	00
C. Austin Jenness, land, wall and tree,	206	09
D. W. Dalton, land and tree,	10	40
Mrs. C. W. D. Jenness, land and fence,	13	10
Gilman M. Lougee, land and tree,	11	10
W. H. Barron, land and fence,	11	10
George G. Lougee, land,	2	86
Frank A. Philbrick, land,		20
E. B. Philbrick, land, trees and wall,	396	92
John H. Jenness, land, trees and wall,	105	90
Charles L. Austin, land and fence,	4	20
Richard L. Locke, land and wall,	39	65
J. Disco Jenness, land and wall	31	55
Heirs Sheridan Jenness, land and wall	8	67
James H. Perkins, land, trees and wall,	91	80
Miss Mary Locke, land,trees and wall,	19	31
Joseph W. Berry, land, trees and wall,	48	46
Heirs of Jos. Berry, land, trees and wall,	60	22
Congregational society,land,trees and wall,	47	00

Horace Locke, land and wall,	15 90	
Lewis H. Foss, land and wall,	23 82	
Charles Johnson, land and wall,	5 50	
Chas. and Gilman Garland, land and wall,	121 44	
Charles N. Knowles, land and wall,	21 76	
John Frazer, land,	10 00	
J. Arthur Brown, land, trees and wall,	178 66	
George W. Brown, land and wall,	12 60	
Mrs. Emerett Jenness, land, trees and wall,	20 50	
A. E. Turner, land and wall,	40 66	
C. H. Vandewenter, land and wall,	10 73	
Charles H. Rand, labor on wall,	36 25	
A. H. Drake, labor on wall,	4 01	
Horace Sawyer, attending hearings and widening road,	52 00	
A. H. Drake, same,	30 00	
John T. Marden, same,	14 00	
John W. Kelley, attorney,	100 00	
J. Arthur Brown, surveying and writing description,	12 50	
		$2,666 44

ROAD WIDENING BETWEEN PORTSMOUTH AND RYE CENTER.

Albert C. Locke, services,	$32 79
Orrin S. Green, services,	30 00
Gilman D. Trefethen, services,	12 00
J. Arthur Brown, surveying,	15 00
Joseph L. Seavey, land and wall damage,	27 28
Joseph W. Seavey, land damage,	22 00
Supply F. Trefethen, land, wall and tree,	39 38
Charles W. Lang, land and wall,	11 35
Warren Parsons, land and wall,	38 05
Mrs. Wm. I. Holmes, land and wall,	8 60
Mrs. C. H. Lear, land and wall,	11 12
John E. Odiorne, tree,	10 00
Thomas W. Rand, land and wall,	36 79
Henry S. Rand, land and wall,	64 60

Orion L. Foye, land, wall and tree,	22 62	
John Johnson, land and wall,	14 03	
C. H. Rand, building wall,	32 50	
		$428 11

BRIDGES.

NEWCASTLE BRIDGE.

John H. Broughton, lumber,	$108 60	
A. P. Wendell, two kegs nails,	6 00	
Charles Yeaton, labor,	12 00	
Irving Rand, labor,	12 00	
Samuel Odiorne, labor,	2 25	
		$140 85

SEAVEY'S AND WHITE ROCK BRIDGES.

Edwin H. Drake, lumber,	$29 40	
John H. Broughton, lumber,	17 75	
Rider & Cotton, hardware,	4 89	
Irving Rand, labor,	9 00	
Charles Yeaton, labor,	12 00	
John E. Odiorne, labor,	3 00	
Supply F. Trefethen, stringers and teaming,	11 00	
James Rand, iron work,	2 25	
Supply F. Trefethen,	3 50	
		$92 79

STONY BROOK BRIDGE.

C. O. Philbrick, labor and teaming,	$ 6 50	
C. W. Jones, " "	5 00	
C. S. Jones, " "	5 00	
Levi Littlefield, " "	4 00	
Horace Sawyer, " "	2 00	
Russell Sawyer, " "	1 38	
J. A. & A. W. Walker, drain pipe,	28 56	
" " " cement,	75	
		$53 19
Wm. H. Seavey, labor on Pine Tree bridge,		75

TOWN FARM ROAD CULVERT.

J. A. & A. W. Walker, pipe and cement,		$9 47
C. O. Philbrick, team and labor,		8 50
John H. Broughton, lumber for Concord Point bridge,		114 19
John H. Broughton, 19,552 feet 4-inch plank for Newcastle bridge, (on hand,)		263 95
Clarence A. Goss, teaming plank,		13 81
Selectmen inspecting and repairing bridges,		9 00

SUMMER LABOR ON HIGHWAY.

John O. Drake, surveyor,	$48 48	
Woodbury L. Berry, surveyor,	43 87	
Supply F. Trefethen, surveyor,	44 50	
Charles W. Jones, surveyor,	58 00	
Clarence A. Goss, surveyor,	86 65	
Austin Garland, surveyor,	83 88	
C. O. Philbrick, surveyor,	215 24	
Wm. H. Seavey, surveyor,	50 00	
Chancey M. Woodman, surveyor,	60 11	
Alfred C. Philbrick, surveyor,	54 88	
Edwin H. Drake, surveyor,	70 15	
Thomas W. Rand, surveyor,	65 80	
Adams E. Drake, surveyor,	112 55	
Charles W. Rand,	48 70	
Andrew G. Brown,	50 40	
		$1,093 21
Clarence A. Goss, cleaning up road widened at Mrs. Martha Parsons',		19 95

WINTER LABOR ON HIGHWAY.

George H. Brown,	$131 00	
C. O. Philbrick,	173 71	
Albert Rand,	137 05	
		$441 76

WINTER LABOR ON HIGHWAY, 1900.

Woodbury L. Berry,	$ 7 06	
C. O. Philbrick,	10 25	
C. M. Woodman,	3 60	
Thomas W. Rand,	5 00	
Wm. H. Seavey,	4 06	
A. E. Drake,	3 30	
Austin Garland,	6 55	
Clarence A. Goss,	9 60	
John O. Drake,	1 90	
Edwin H. Drake,	8 15	
Alfred C. Philbrick,	3 08	
		$62 55

WASHOUTS.

C. O. Philbrick, on Farragut house road,	$164 51	
Thomas W. Rand, at Town hall,	5 50	
Wallace S. Goss, at Rye Harbor,	22 00	
Adams E. Drake, at Foss Beach,	13 00	
Henry L. Varrell, at Rye Harbor,	3 25	
		$208 26

ABATEMENTS.

Emery Woodman, error on land,	$1 40	
Allen Eisener, error on poll,	1 40	
Orville S. Fisher, error on poll,	1 40	
Charles B. Smith, error on poll,	1 40	
John C. Webster, error on poll,	1 40	
E. H. Balch, error on coach,	2 80	
Ruel G. Shapley, on horse,	70	
William Quinn, on horse,	42	
		$10 92

SALARIES.

William C. Walker, tax collector,	$70 00
Edward S. Sawyer, for supervisors,	15 00
C. O. Philbrick, police,	10 00

Thomas H. Perkins,	10 00	
John H. Jenness, police,	10 00	
Ezra H. Walker, janitor of Town hall,	60 00	
A. R. H. Foss, school treasurer,	10 00	
School Board,	60 00	
Fred D. Parsons, town treasurer,	25 00	
Blake H. Rand, town clerk,	25 00	
Auditors,	4 00	
Horace Sawyer, repairing inventory books, taking inventory, making taxes, drawing jury, revising jury box, appointing officers, paying bills, preparing accounts for printing,	40 00	
A. H. Drake, same,	40 00	
J. T. Marden, same,	40 00	
		$419 00

RECAPITULATION.

Paid winter labor on highway,	$ 441 76
State tax,	1,559 75
County tax,	2,522 83
State Industrial School,	25 50
Board of health,	39 00
Town poor,	323 88
County poor,	44 61
Schools,	2,025 20
East and South school appropriation,	1,425 00
Highways and bridges,	1,882 21
Abatements,	10 92
Salaries,	419 00
Enforcing liquor law,	269 03
Miscellaneous,	1,024 67
Road widening Portsmouth to Rye Center,	428 11

Road widening Rye Center to North Hampton line,	2,666 44	
Washouts,	208 26	
Total expenditures,		$15,316 17

HORACE SAWYER,
ALBERT H. DRAKE,
JOHN T. MARDEN,
Selectmen of Rye.

We, the undersigned have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct and properly vouched.

IRVING W. GARLAND,
CHARLES W. SPEAR,
Auditors.

RECEIPTS OF TOWN HALL, 1899.

Received from out of town parties,	$45 00	
" dancing schools,	25 50	
" Jr. O. U. A. M.	15 50	
" Grange,	13 00	
" dances,	10 00	
" Christian society, entertainments and rehearsals,	10 00	
Received from singing school,	5 00	
" sociables,	5 50	
" Congregational society, entertainments and rehearsals,	4 00	
Other entertainments,	3 50	
Received from Congregational society strawberry supper,	1 50	
Received from Christian society strawberry supper,	1 00	
Received from Salvation Army,	1 00	
" Locke reunion.	1 00	
" Pomona Grange,	50	
" lecture,	50	
Total,		$142 50

Treasurer's Report.

Account from February 15 to March 15, 1899.

Cash on hand Feb. 15,	$190 60	
Received from county,	61 28	
" Portsmouth & Dover R. R. Co.,	669 14	
		$921 02

Paid to Mrs. Charles Lear,	$48 24
Charles H. Rand,	31 79
Levi W. Marden,	8 45
J. J. Rand,	36 79
Joseph L. Seavey,	98 01
Supply F. Trefethen,	95 52
Heirs Horace Trefethen,	56 64
William Quinn,	6 63
Charles W. Rand,	90 65
Sylvester W. Odiorne,	9 37
Warren Parsons,	1 22
John W. Parsons,	14 61
Samuel Marden,	27 36
Heirs of Truman Odiorne,	8 96

Alba R. H. Foss,	23 67	
Joseph W. Seavey,	18 99	
		$576 90
Cash on hand,		344 12
		$921 02

J. Arthur Brown, *Treasurer.*

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correct and properly vouched.

Irving W. Garland,
C. W. Spear,
Auditors.

Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1900.

RECEIPTS.

From J. Arthur Brown, treasurer, 1898,	$344 12
William C. Walker, collector, 1898,	138 41
" " " 1899,	8,690 56
State Savings Bank tax,	2,276 06
State railroad tax,	345 29
State insurance tax,	11 25
State literary fund,	79 80
County for paupers,	87 03
Town clerk, dog licenses,	98 40
Selectmen, liquor fines,	20 00
Selectmen, billiard table licenses,	24 00
Janitor of Town hall,	142 50
Benj. T. Odiorne,	25 50
Joseph W. Seavey, error on valuation,	3 19
Mrs. Laura F. Dibblee, for gravel pit,	1 00
Charles L. Austin, land and fence award for town poor,	4 20
B.&M. R. R., land and fence damage,	201 50
" " " " "	1,700 00
" " " " "	100 00

First Nat'l Bank, interest on deposit,	14 00	
David Jenness, by note,	1,500 00	
Emery C. Jenness, by note,	400 00	
		$16,206 81

EXPENDITURES.

Paid on selectmen's orders,	$14,184 03	
Portsmouth Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00	
Cash on hand,	1,022 78	
		$16,206 81

DEMANDS AGAINST THE TOWN.

Note to Mary E. Randall, dated Feb. 15, 1900,	$400 00	
Note to Blake H. Rand, dated Feb. 15, 1900,	400 00	
Note to Emery C. Jenness, dated Feb. 15, 1900,	400 00	
Note to David Jenness, dated Feb. 15, 1900,	1,500 00	
Due school district,	42 51	
Due county,	16 67	
Land and fence awards unpaid,	1,132 14	
		$3,891 32

DUE THE TOWN.

From Wm. C. Walker, collector, 1898,	$ 2 40	
" " " " 1899,	136 26	
Cash on hand,	1,022 78	
		$1,161 44
Balance against the town,		$2,729 88

FRED. D. PARSONS, *Treasurer.*

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct and properly vouched.

IRVING W. GARLAND,
CHARLES W. SPEAR, *Auditors.*

REPORT OF THE

Trustees of Central Cemetery.

Nothing has transpired during the past year in connection with the cemetery, that calls for any special report from us. Two lots have been sold during the year, which make the whole number disposed of 143, leaving 161 lots unsold. Four interments have been made, making the total number of graves in the cemetery at present 278. Owners of lots are again reminded that they should take care of them, by cutting the grass at least during the summer, and removing other debris that may accumulate, such as withered flowers, bottles and cans. They should not be thrown on the sidewalks, avenues or unoccupied lots, but may be carried to the southeast corner of the cemetery, if not taken out of it. The care given to some of the lots is commendable, and if all who own lots would give a little time and attention to them, it would improve the general appearance of the cemetery very much.

DANIEL J. PARSONS,
W. C. WALKER,
CHARLES H. RAND,
Trustees.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

DR.

Feb. 1, 1899, to cash on hand,	$35 43	
To cash for two lots,	40 00	
		$75 43

CR.

By labor,	$11 00	
By recording deeds,	60	
By cash on hand,	63 83	
		$75 43

W. C. WALKER, *Clerk of Trustees.*

Rye, Feb. 1, 1900.

Report of the School Board.

Fellow Citizens of Rye:

In presenting our annual report we are glad to state that, taken as a whole, the progress of the year has been very satisfactory.

At the Wedgewood school Mr. D. A. Wheeler has taught the three terms of the year, and has a school unequalled in deportment and neatness. The scholars are making good progress in the different branches, and seem thoroughly interested in their work.

At the West school Miss Annie L. Nelson has also taught the full year, and every department of the school is up to the highest standard of an ungraded school.

At the East school Mrs. M. Emma Foss, who had taught very successfully for a number of years, was succeeded at the beginning of the fall term by Miss Hannah E. Tobin, who has proved an efficient teacher. The attendance at this school is increasing, a large proportion being small children, who have benefitted by Miss Tobin's modern primary methods.

At the South school, owing to resignations, the Board lost the services of two teachers whom we would gladly have kept. Mr. Edwin S. Huse, a finely equipped teacher, taught the spring term with most satisfactory results, and Miss Ethel L. Stone was equally successful during the fall term and part of the winter term. At the Christmas holidays Miss Stone applied to the Board to be released from her engagement, having obtained a very desirable position at her home. Mr. Oscar A. Stevens, a

graduate of Bates college, has been teaching the remainder of the winter term. Mr. Stevens, although a teacher of some experience, has made hard work for himself here by allowing his pupils too much latitude at first, a condition of affairs of which they have not been slow to take advantage. Without discipline good work is impossible.

During the past year the Board introduced vocal culture in the schools, under the able instruction of Mr. George D. Whittier, one of the best teachers in the state. The results have been most gratifying.

On account of the additional expense incurred for music and extensive repairs, the Board has retained only sufficient funds to pay the expenses of the remainder of the winter term, instead of carrying forward a heavy balance as has been customary the past few years.

A commodious sanitary annex and wood room has been built at the South school, in addition to inside and outside painting and grading. Materials from the old East school were utilized in the new addition. A fine bell purchased with funds belonging to the former Centre district has been placed on the Wedgewood school, the Board defraying the expense of the bell deck.

The town has four modern school buildings, the oldest erected in 1871, the next oldest in 1881, and two comparatively new buildings, all in excellent condition. There is no debt on the school district account, the treasurer's report showing the final payment on the East school.

The education received in the Rye common schools is probably equal to that in any other town's ungraded schools, and better than most towns, because we can afford a longer school year than the average in the state. There is, however, a defect in our system which ought to be remedied, and that is, our schools do not afford a sufficiently advanced course of study to the boy or girl desiring a higher education. An advanced school should be established at the Centre, where older scholars can be fitted for high school, or those who expect to finish their education

in Rye can be instructed in advanced studies that would be practically helpful, which cannot properly be done by one teacher in an ungraded school without, in a measure, neglecting the younger scholars. Boards of Education find it increasingly difficult to retain the services of capable, efficient teachers in large ungraded schools where the work is hard, because teachers are trained more and more for special departments of school work, and are always on the lookout for easier positions in graded schools. The Wedgewood school was designed with a view to ultimate enlargement, and your Board recommends that steps be taken to adapt the building for the purposes mentioned. There is reason to anticipate that the influx of new population into the town following the advent of the electric railroad will in a few years overtax the limits of some of the present district schools, and the increased school revenues of the town, if not devoted to the extension of our own school facilities, will be drawn away by the state for the support of less favored places. Already legislation for the purpose of equalizing school privileges throughout the state has been enacted, and still further legislation in that direction may be looked for. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction in his last report gives a statistical table showing the valuation per pupil of average attendance throughout the state. Out of 227 towns and cities in New Hampshire, Rye stands No. 221 in highest valuation per pupil, being exceeded only by Dublin, Lee, Manchester, Newcastle and Portsmouth. For comparison Rye has an equalized valuation of $1,123,236.00, an average school attendance of 106, and a valuation per pupil of $10,596.00. Seabrook, No. 7 in the list, has an equalized valuation of $320,373.00, average attendance 199, and valuation per pupil of $1,609.00.

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Fraser,
Alba R. H. Foss,
John O. Drake,
School Board.

SCHOOL OFFICERS, TEACHERS AND ROLL OF HONOR.

Board of Education,

John F. Fraser, Alba R. H. Foss, John O. Drake.
Charles M. Remick, School Clerk.

Teachers,

Wedgewood School—Mr. Delbert A. Wheeler.
West School—Miss Annie L. Nelson.
East School—Mrs. M. Emma Foss, Miss Hannah E. Tobin.
South School—Miss Ethel L. Stone, Mr. Oscar A. Stevens.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of pupils who have not been absent one day during the term:

WEST SCHOOL—SPRING TERM.

Nellie P. Eldridge,
Charles O. Green,
Harry A. Green,
Wilmot M. Smart,
Maurice A. Smart,
Horace C. Whidden,
Evelyn K. Drake,
Helen C. Drake,
*Robert W. Rand,
*Alice E. Brown,
*Harriet D. Goss,
*Annie E. Rand.

FALL TERM.

Gladys M. Boyce,
Annie M. Goss,
Harriet D. Goss.
Ardelle Marston,
Emma L. Smart,
Harrison G. Brown,
Harry T. Farrell,
Charles O. Green,
Harry A. Green,
Robert W. Rand,
Wilmot M. Smart,
Maurice H. Smart,
Horace C. Whidden.

WINTER TERM.

Harriet D. Goss,
Annie E. Rand,
Harry A. Green,
Charles O. Green,
Wilmot M. Smart,
Maurice A. Jenness,
Irving Jenness,
Robert W. Rand,
*Alice E. Brown.

SOUTH SCHOOL—SPRING TERM.

David Jenness, *Lawrence Brown.

FALL TERM.

Inez Swenson, Abbott Drake,
Frances Squire, Frederick Rieb.

WINTER TERM.

Mildred Sawyer, Mildred Rand,
Frederick Rieb.

WEDGEWOOD SCHOOL—SPRING TERM.

George Fife, Norman Parsons,
Frederick Johnson, Jesse Walker.

FALL TERM.

Annie Drake, Alonzo Berry,
Edith Odiorne, Leon Goss,
Edna Tucker, Joseph Tucker,
Madge Tucker, Ernest Varrell,
Dona Walker, *Jesse Walker.

WINTER TERM.

Annie Drake, George Fife,
Cora Drake, Ernest Tucker,
Dona Walker, Jesse Walker,
Merton Drake, *Bessie Perkins.

EAST SCHOOL—SPRING TERM.

Ada Rand, Arthur W. Foster,
Bernice C. Remick, Walter W. Foster,
Mary B. Remick, James O. Rand,
*Flora B. Lewis.

FALL TERM.

Ada Rand, Walter W. Foster,
Bernice C. Remick, Horace Rand,
Mary B. Remick, James O. Rand,
Marcia Trefethen, John H. Remick,
Arthur W. Foster, Arthur E. Trefethen,
Willie Trefethen.

WINTER TERM.

Clyde Brown,
Ada Rand,
Bernice C. Remick,
Mary B. Remick,
Walter W. Foster,
Arthur W. Foster,
Horace Rand,
James O. Rand,
Sherman N. Rand,
Willie Trefethen.

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*Absent one-half day.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

	Spring Term.				Fall Term.				Winter Term.			
	S	W	C	E	S	W	C	E	S	W	C	E
Length of School in weeks,	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	8 4-5	8 4-5	8 4-5	8 4/5
Wages of teachers per week,	12	10	12	10	11	10	12	10	11	10	12	10
Whole number of pupils	44	29	34	29	41	30	36	30	44	32	38	30
Average number of pupils,	41	27	33	25	40	29	33	27	37	30	32	26
Percentage of daily attendance,	85	93	96	92	90	96	92	90	89	94	90	80
No. of visits by School Board,	4	6	2	2	2	4	2	4	2	1	2	2
No. of visits by citizens and others,	13	14	13	23	16	21	24	30	2	1	8	8
No. of pupils instructed in Reading,	44	29	34	29	41	30	36	30	39	32	32	30
" " " " Spelling,	44	29	29	29	34	30	36	30	30	32	32	30
" " " " Penmanship,	44	29	34	29	41	30	36	30	39	32	32	30
" " " " Arithmetic	44	29	26	29	35	27	36	30	35	32	31	30
" " " " Geography,	38	22	20	18	35	17	22	23	35	15	26	23
" " " " Grammar,	33	22	19	29	25	15	14	10	28	15	14	10
" " " " History,	12	7	9	2	8	5	11	8	12	14	11	8
" " " " Book-keeping,		3			4	1				2	1	
" " " " Algebra,	5	3	5	2	4	3	5	2	7	4	5	8
" " " " Philosophy,	8			6								
" " " " Composition,	33	22	6	29	8	19	7	23	8	19	7	23
" " " " Vocal Music,	44	29	22	29	41	30	36	30	39	32	32	30
" " " " Physiology,	12	7		2		5		4		7		8
" " " " Botany,				1								
" " " " Physical Geography,						5				7		
" " " " Astronomy,				2				2				3
" " " " Natural History,				2								
" " " " Drawing,				29				30				30
" " " " Geometry,							1					

Winter term not finished, Statistics made up to Feb. 15. Length of term will be 13 weeks.

School Board Treasurer's Report.

For the Financial Year Ending February 15, 1900.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1899,	$ 445 66	
From town treasurer, school appropriation,	1,850 00	
From town treasurer, literary fund,	79 80	
" " " dog tax,	95 40	
" " " appropriation for East school house, notes, addition to South school house and repairs,	1,425 00	
School Board of North Hampton,	19 00	
		$3,914 86

STATEMENT OF EXPENSES.

TEACHERS AND JANITORS.

Paid teacher Wedgewood school,	$404 60	
Janitor " "	20 00	
Teachers South school,	385 00	
Janitor " "	20 00	
Teacher West school,	340 00	
Janitor " "	17 00	
Teachers East school,	354 00	
Janitors " "	21 05	
		$1,561 65
George D. Whittier, teaching music,		115 00

FUEL FOR ALL SCHOOLS.

Paid Everett H. Seavey,	for wood,	$ 2 25	
E. C. Jenness,	"	26 00	
A. G. Brown,	"	7 00	
Joseph W. Rand,	"	46 75	
Joseph O. Seavey,	"	17 88	
Gilman P. Goss,	"	29 00	
			$128 88

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid Henry Holt & Co., Histories,	$ 3 88	
Thompson, Brown & Co., Bookkeeping Blanks,	7 33	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books,	1 91	
J.L.Hammett & Co., general supplies,	17 15	
George F. King & Co., " "	26 18	
Werner Schoolbook Co., books,	20 26	
Silver,Burdett & Co.,chart and books,	25 62	
Lothrop Pub. Co., books,	13 50	
Educational Pub. Co., books,	2 40	
D. C. Heath & Co., Spellers and English,	18 50	
Freight and express,	4 00	
		$140 73

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS.

Paid C. D. Garland, rope, brooms, etc.,	$1 58
Mrs. Lydia Lang, cleaning school rooms,	10 00
Moss Safe Co., chest for clerk,	2 00
Globe Stamp Co., rubber stamps,	2 20
Rider & Cotton, rakes, cord and hardware,	4 52
L. T. Davis, repairing flags,	6 90
J. Arthur Brown, pump for Wedgewood school,	10 50

W. W. Goss, grading at South school house,	9 00	
Paid Moses Philbrick. repairing clocks,	2 25	
Pryor & Matthews, paints and oil,	8 89	
Albert Johnson, painting South school house,	12 50	
Mrs. W. F. Eldridge, repairing flag, and material,	3 00	
Telegrams,	1 23	
A. S. Hearne, weather strips for South school house,	2 00	
A. P. Wendell, brooms and brushes,	1 00	
Willard A. Trefethen, cleaning East school house,	2 00	
Clough Bros., repairs on South school house,	2 93	
Charles L. Berry, reeving halyards,	50	
Edward E. Seavey, carting furniture,	2 00	
A. P. Wendell, brooms,	70	
Setting glass East and West school houses,	1 00	
John F. Fraser, purchasing supplies, postage, and small bills paid,	5 23	
A. R. H. Foss, purchasing supplies, &c.,	3 00	
Stationery,revenue stamps and postage	2 60	
Hoyt & Dow, order book,	2 00	
C. D. Garland, pail, brooms, &c.,	1 14	
E. C. Jenness, brooms and small wares,	1 93	
W. F. Eldridge, cleaning stove funnel, &c.,	1 00	
Repairs and small bills,	3 20	
R. F. Varrell, building bell deck Wedgewood,	20 00	
		$126 80

ADDITION TO SOUTH SCHOOL HOUSE.

Paid Clough Bros., contractors,	$345 00	
L. W. Ashe, architect,	18 00	
Pryor & Matthews, paint and oil,	9 45	
Albert Johnson, painting,	10 00	
		$382 45

EAST SCHOOL HOUSE NOTES.

Paid John S. Goss, note and interest,	$ 94 84	
Geo. H. Brown, " "	269 96	
Thomas W. Rand, " "	133 88	
Jos. D. Jenness, " "	269 57	
Henry S. Rand, " "	335 94	
		$1,104 19

EXPENDITURES.

Paid by order of the School Board,	$3,559 79	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1900,	355 07	
		$3,914 86

EAST SCHOOL HOUSE APPROPRIATION.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1900, unexpended balance of 1897 appropriation,	$25 00

DEMAND AGAINST THE DISTRICT FEB. 15, 1900.

Clough Bros., when the old lot of the East school house is cleared,	$25 00

ALBA R. H. FOSS,
Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing accounts, find them correct and properly vouched.

IRVING W. GARLAND,
CHARLES W. SPEAR,
Auditors.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RYE, N. H., FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1899.

As Recorded by BLAKE H. RAND, Town Clerk.

Date of Birth, 1899.	Name of Child	Sex.	Living or Stillborn.	No. Child	Name of Father.	Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age F'th	Age M'th
Jan 30	Norman D	M	L	8	Wm W Tucker	Mary G Trefethen	Painter	Portsmouth	Rye	39	32
Jan 30		F	L	9	" "	" "	"	"	Rye	39	32
March 1		F	L	4	John Millet	Augustine Arkson	Laborer	Canada	Sweeden	36	11
March 6		F	L	2	James F Brown	Geneva D Berry	Farmer	Rye	Portsmouth	40	26
March 13		F	L	1	Roscoe H Berry	Annie I Walker	Carpenter	Rye	Rye	23	33
March 13		F	L	2	" "	" "	"	"	Rye	23	33
June 18		M	L	3	Ezra B Philbrick	Nellie M Dow	Fisherman	Portsmouth	No. Hampton	30	23
July 4	Clarke Edward	M	L	2	W E Partington	M I Remick		Richmond, Va	Abbeville, La	33	25
July 18		M	L	6	Edward N Downs	Julia M True	Fisherman	Rye	Loudon, N H	41	36
Aug 4		F	L	2	Charles E Burrall	Fannie E Varrell	Laborer	Nova Scotia	Rye	27	21
Aug 27		F	L	2	R J Kirkpatrick	Katherine A Scott	Insurance	New York city	Portsmouth	30	22
Sept 20		F	L	1	Wm E Garland	Ethel Locke	Grocer	Rye	Rye	20	23
Sept 23		M	L	5	Joseph H Jessome	Lillian C Mace	Mosser	Nova Scotia	Rye	33	35
Nov 8	Myrtle Velma	F	L	4	Elmer W Caswell	Sophia J Smart	Fisherman	Rye	Rye	31	28
Dec 6		F	L	1	Evetett E Chick	Annie G Blake	Farmer	Emery's Mills Me	Kittery, Me	25	21
Dec 22			L	2	James S Manuel	Mary Fraser	Florist	Scotland	Scotland	28	25

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN TOWN OF RYE, N. H., FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1899.

As Recorded by BLAKE H. RAND, Town Clerk.

Date, 1899	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Resid'ce of each	Age	Occupation.	Place of Birth	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Conditn	Name and Residence of person by whom married
Feb 23	Rye	Willie E Garland	Rye	19	Grocer	Rye	Chas D Garland		1	G A Beebe, c Rye, N H
		and					Eliza J Garland			
		Ethel M Locke	Rye	22		Rye	Albert C Locke		1	
							Eliza E Varrell			
June 5	Portsmouth	Thomas I Varrell	Rye	50	Farmer	Rye	Jonathan Varrell		1	Henry E Hovey, c Portsmouth, N H
		and					Mary Mathews			
		Martha E Hanscom	Newcastle	36		Boston	William Marvin		2	
							Catherine Moses			
July 5	Rye	Frank J Trefethen	Rye	26	Mason	Rye	Horace Trefethen		1	Joseph Lambert, c Rye, N H
		and					Ann M Clark			
		Maggie A Burchill	Rye	26		Ireland	John Connelly		2	
							Mary Mahoney			
Sept 19	Rye	Everett E Chick	Rye	25	Farmer	Emery's Mills, Me.	Andrew E Chick		1	Joseph Lambert, c Rye, N H
		and					Susan Hamet			
		Annie G Blake	Kittery	20		Kittery, Me	Hiram Blake		1	
							Mary Littlefield			
Oct 8	Rye	William C Philbrick	Rye	21	Farmer	Rye	J Curtis Philbrick		1	Augustus W Mills, c Rye, N H
		and					Helen K Hodgdon			
		Nellie T Rand	Rye	22		Rye	Charles H Rand		1	
							Rosamond Jenness			
Oct 16	Rye	William O Randall	Rye	38	Farmer	Star Island	John W Randall		1	Joseph Lambert, c Rye, N H
		and					Harriet M Lear			
		Jessie M Lear	Rye	26		Lewiston	William Irving		2	
							Henrietta M Lancester			

DEATHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF RYE, N. H., FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1899.

As Recorded by BLAKE H. RAND, Town Clerk.

Date of Death, 1899	Name of Deceased.	Year	Months	Days	Place of Birth	Cond'n	Place of Birth of Father	Place of Birth of Mother	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Jan 12	Elizabeth Russell	60						Kennebunk Me		Alvira Wormwood
Jan 19	Phillip A Brown		5	4	Rye	S	Rye	New Castle	George W Drown	M Emma Rand
Feb 25	Hannah L Trefethen	86		20	Pittsfield, N H	w		Stratham	John Garland	Mary Lane
March 10	Adaline J Clark	88	8	22	Portsmouth	w	Portsmouth	Portsmouth	Michael W Tucker	Elizabeth Moses
March 19	Isaac Jenness	85	1	9	Rye	w		Rye	Henry Jenness	Charlotte Lamprey
April 7	William J Foss	41	4	3	Rye	M	Rye	Rye	John O Foss	Mary J Green
April 30	Norman D Tucker		3		Rye	S	Portsmouth	Rye	Wm W Tucker	Mary G Trefethen
June 7	Anna R Bunker	72	11		Hampton	w	Hampton	Hampton	Perkins Towle	Eliza Brown
June 9	Emma F Garland	39	7		Newington	M	Kittery, Me	Newington	Robert Manson	Martha O Berry
Aug 13	John W Lear	49	8		Rye	M			John Lear	Nancy Downs
Aug 20	Gerald T Rand		11	27	Rye	S	Rye	Rye	Jedediah Rand	Edith C Foss
Sept. 9	Benning Philbrick		2	22	Rye	S	Portsmouth	No. Hampton	Ezra B Philbrick	Nellie M Dow
Oct 9	Mary A Walker	57	1	4		M				
Dec 23	Abraham Perkins	81	11	10	Rye	M	Rye	Rye	James Perkins	Mehitable Seavey

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